One Court of Justice

Michigan Supreme Court 2002 Annual Report

District Court Statistical Supplement

Introduction

In the Fall of 1997, the State Court Administrative Office commenced a project to revise the trial court caseload reports. The project was initiated partly in response to the creation of the family division of circuit court, but also to bring more uniformity between the three trial court jurisdictions. This new reporting system was implemented January 1, 2002. For highlights of the new system, an explanation as to what the new data means, and an analysis of the data, see the *Michigan Supreme Court 2002 Annual Report*.

Much of the information in this report is due to the hard work and dedication of the trial courts and their information technology departments, the Judicial Information Systems, and staff of the State Court Administrative Office implementing major changes to the caseload reporting system. These changes included not only the revised reporting requirements but the development of a web application for collecting and reporting caseload data. The willingness of the courts to accommodate this new technology, their patience during the refinement of the web application and the verification process, and the expense to their resources associated with implementing this project is much appreciated. Their many efforts have resulted in a much improved caseload reporting system.

The caseload data for 2002 is provided in both a summary format and a detail format. The summary format is organized under categories that had been used in previous years so that comparisons can continue to be made from one year to the next. A legend is provided which explains under which category case type codes appear in the summary. The detail format shows the totals by each case type code.

Statewide District Court Summary 2002 Court Caseload Report

| | | Non-Traffic | | Traff | fic | | Civil | | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-------------|----------------------|--------------------------|----------|---------|--------------|---------|---------------|-----------|
| | Felony | Misdemeanor | Civil Infractions | Misdemeanor and Civil | OUIL/OWI | Civil | Small Claims | Summary | Parking | Total |
| Beginning Pending | 21,506 | 140,567 | 10,294 | 344,029 | 15,545 | 84,661 | 25,100 | 26,935 | 59,623 | 728,260 |
| New Filings | 78,772 | 319,721 | 32,428 | 2,175,625 | 60,572 | 264,061 | 104,208 | 206,276 | 314,616 | 3,556,279 |
| Reopened | 33,215 | 139,141 | 1,961 | 209,923 | 11,662 | 4,455 | 1,899 | 602 | 14,533 | 417,391 |
| Total Caseload | 133,493 | 599,429 | 44,683 | 2,729,577 | 87,779 | 353,177 | 131,207 | 233,813 | 388,772 | 4,701,930 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jury Verdict | 10 | 960 | 0 | 136 | 352 | 87 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 1,565 |
| Bench Verdict | 728 | 6,266 | 1,726 | 112,275 | 1,583 | 2,879 | 13,689 | 16,601 | 4,708 | 160,455 |
| Guilty Plea/Admission/Waive | 13,139 | 180,874 | 14,590 | 1,323,000 | 50,871 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 160,080 | 1,742,554 |
| Uncontested/Dflt/Settled | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 172,733 | 40,937 | 112,132 | 0 | 325,802 |
| Bindover/Transfer | 53,210 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,831 | 736 | 4,447 | 57 | 0 | 62,281 |
| Dismissed by Party | 4,762 | 40,305 | 2,476 | 60,195 | 1,506 | 25,967 | 27,166 | 54,591 | 3,087 | 220,055 |
| Dismissed by Court | 5,555 | 73,570 | 5,128 | 224,148 | 2,173 | 34,270 | 17,256 | 12,237 | 21,134 | 395,471 |
| Default | 0 | 0 | 9,804 | 458,740 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 146,999 | 615,543 |
| Inactive Status | 36,613 | 172,754 | 0 | 161,396 | 13,331 | 7,066 | 1,030 | 1,923 | 0 | 394,113 |
| Local Diversion | 385 | 17,375 | 0 | 8,122 | 293 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26,175 |
| Other Disposition | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,877 | 2,155 | 842 | 0 | 5,874 |
| Case Type Change | 272 | 3,813 | 60 | 4,145 | 270 | 28 | 61 | 24 | 400 | 9,073 |
| Total Dispositions | 114,674 | 495,917 | 33,784 | 2,352,157 | 74,210 | 246,643 | 106,741 | 198,427 | 336,408 | 3,958,961 |
| Ending Donding | 10 010 | 102.512 | 10.000 | 277 420 | 12.500 | 107 524 | 24.466 | 25 297 | 53.264 | 742.070 |
| Ending Pending | 18,819 | 103,512 | 10,899 | 377,420 | 13,569 | 106,534 | 24,466 | 35,386 | 52,364 | 742,969 |

| | Criminal | | | | Traffic (Misdemeanor and Civil) | | | | | | | | Non-Traffic Civil | | | | Civil | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| | EX | FY | OM | SM | FD | FT | OD | OI | ОТ | SD | SI | ST | OK | ON | SK | SN | GC | GZ | LT | SC | SP | Total |
| Beginning Pending | 19 | 21244 | 80178 | 60389 | 978 | 243 | 6961 | 134192 | 123088 | 7606 | 35931 | 50818 | | 9432 | 5582 | 862 | 84506 | 155 | 14928 | 25100 | 12007 | 728,260 |
| New Filings | 676 | 76081 | 180625 | 139096 | 5119 | 2015 | 24030 | 1125585 | 286394 | | 613037 | 150609 | 294915 | 23871 | 19701 | 8557 | 262894 | 1167 | 202874 | 104208 | 3402 3 | 3,556,279 |
| Reopened | 68 | 32533 | 85740 | 53401 | 1506 | 614 | 4366 | 85292 | 75080 | 5790 | 15800 | 33751 | 12368 | 1738 | 2165 | 223 | 4416 | 39 | 524 | 1899 | 78 | 417,391 |
| Total Caseload | 763 | 129858 | 346543 | 252886 | 7603 | 2872 | 353571 | 1345069 | 484562 | 44819 | 664768 | 235178 | 361324 | 35041 | 27448 | 9642 | 351816 | 1361 | 218326 | 131207 | 15487 | 4,701,930 |
| | EX | FY | OM | SM | FD | FT | OD | OI | ОТ | SD | SI | ST | ОК | ON | SK | SN | GC | GZ | LT | SC | SP | Total |
| Jury Verdict | 0 | 10 | 248 | 712 | 3 | 0 | 79 | 0 | 57 | 270 | 0 | 79 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 85 | 2 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 1,565 |
| Bench Verdict | 132 | 580 | 2951 | 3315 | 11 | 16 | 1015 | 79499 | 6758 | 557 | 23184 | 2834 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2790 | 89 | 16226 | 13689 | 375 | 154,021 |
| Verdict at Hearing | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4397 | 1482 | 311 | 244 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6,434 |
| Guilty Plea/Admission | 13 | 12692 | 84678 | 96196 | 1185 | 434 | 21114 | 623044 | 193014 | 28572 | 390757 | 116185 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,567,884 |
| Admission/Waivers | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 153831 | 9349 | 6249 | 5241 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 174,670 |
| Uncontested/Dflt/Settled | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 172388 | 345 | 110350 | 40937 | 1782 | 325,802 |
| Bindover/Transfer | 156 | 51877 | 0 | 0 | 3831 | 1177 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 733 | 3 | 48 | 4447 | 9 | 62,281 |
| Dismissed by Party | 103 | 4581 | 21583 | 18722 | 60 | 78 | 561 | 18957 | 17792 | 885 | 11120 | 12326 | | 2228 | 267 | 248 | 25725 | 242 | 54021 | 27166 | 570 | 220,055 |
| Dismissed by Court | 63 | 5395 | 56283 | 17287 | 99 | 97 | 1363 | 134053 | 40667 | 711 | 35384 | 14044 | 20348 | 4786 | 786 | 342 | 34092 | 178 | 11982 | 17256 | 255 | 395,471 |
| Default | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 299423 | 0 | 0 | 159317 | | 133038 | 7386 | 13961 | 2418 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 615,543 |
| Inactive Status | 117 | 35798 | 110289 | 62465 | 1665 | 698 | 5007 | 3505 | 114206 | 6659 | 1852 | 41833 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7051 | 15 | 1898 | 1030 | 25 | 394,113 |
| Local Diversion | 0 | 385 | 12275 | 5100 | 10 | 0 | 179 | 5651 | 1081 | 104 | 853 | 537 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26,175 |
| Other Disposition | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2801 | 76 | 527 | 2155 | 315 | 5,874 |
| Case Type Change | 0 | 269 | 3190 | 623 | 33 | 3 | 111 | 961 | 1828 | 126 | 716 | 640 | | 45 | 28 | 15 | 26 | 2 | 18 | 61 | 6 | 9,073 |
| Total Dispositions | 584 | 111587 | 291497 | 204420 | 6897 | 2503 | 29429 1 | 1165093 | 375403 | 37884 | 623183 | 188478 | 314806 | 25276 | 21602 | 8508 | 245691 | 952 | 195090 | 106741 | 3337 | 3,958,961 |
| Ending Pending | EX 179 | FY 18,271 | OM 55,046 | SM 48,466 | FD 706 | FT 369 | OD 5,928 | OI 179,976 | OT 109,159 | SD 6,935 | SI 41,585 | ST 46,700 | OK 46,518 | ON 9,765 | SK 5,846 | SN 1,134 | GC 106,125 | GZ 409 | LT 23,236 | SC 24,466 | SP 12,150 | Total 742,969 |

District Court Caseload Annual Report Legend

Non-Traffic

Felony – EX, FT, FY Misdemeanor – OM, SM Civil Infractions – ON, SN

Traffic

Misdemeanor and Civil – OI, OT, SI, ST OUIL/OWI – FD, OD, SD

Civil

Civil – GC, GZ Small Claims – SC Summary – LT, SP

Parking – OK, SK